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Docket No. GC647-2

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )

Rodriguez *et al.* )

Group Art Unit: 1639

Serial No.: 10/008,620 )

Examiner: Epperson, Jon D.

Filed: December 4, 2001 )

For: Method for Generating a Library of )  
Mutant Oligonucleotides Using the )  
Linear Cyclic Amplification Reaction)RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED APRIL 23, 2000Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 23, 2002, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be made. A complete list of the Claims, including marked-up versions of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims is provided below. None of the amendments to the Claims is intended to narrow the scope of any of the amended Claims within the meaning of *Festo*<sup>1</sup>.

A two-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith. Therefore, this Response is being filed on or before the current due date of July 23, 2003.

<sup>1</sup> *Festo Corp. v. Shoketsu Kogyo Kabushiki Co.*, No. 95-1066, 2000 WL 1753646 (Fed. Cir. Nov. 29, 2000).